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Corps Orders by Lieut.-Col. A. Chapman, V.D.

### JOINED.

Private J. C. Ferguson joined the Corps on 27.4.16, is allotted Corps No. 106 and is posted to Stretcher Bearer Section.

### TRANSFER.

Private F. Pereira, from Signalling Section to Engineer Company dated 25.4.16.

### RESIGNED.

Gr. O. W. Fitcher is permitted to resign, on leaving the Colony, dated 16.4.16.

Pte. A. Remedio is permitted to resign, on medical grounds, dated 26.4.16.

### ENGINEER COMPANY.

The following extract from Orders by Chief Engineer, China Command, is published for information:—The under-mentioned members of the Engineer Co. H.K.V. Corps are posted to the "Provisional" rate of Engineer pay with effect from the dates stated:—  
Sapper Brown W., 13.4.16 and Sapper Blake M. T. H. 20.3.16.

### 10 P.M. GUN PRACTICE.

The following N.C.O. and men will parade at Headquarters at 2.30 p.m. on Saturday, 25th inst. for escort duty:—  
Sgt. Frith, Gunners Over, Finch, Duckworth and Longfield. On Sunday, 30th inst. the Artillery Battery, two N.C.O.s and 12 men of Right Section M.G. Co. and twelve members of the Signalling Section will parade on the Cricket Ground at 8.45 a.m. and leave from Bluff Pier by launch at 9 a.m. Dress etc. Khaki drill jacket and shorts, puttees, black boots, helmet, belt, haversack and water-bottle (filled). Sandwiches will be provided. The following S.C.O.s and men will parade at 8.45 a.m. for picket duty:—acting Corporal A. J. J. Martin, Bomb. M. Railton, Gunners C. H. Railton, Farmer and Becker.

### PROMOTIONS.

Cpl. M. Manuk, No. 1 Sec. Art. Batty., to be acting Sergt. dated 26.4.16.  
Br. A. J. J. Martin, No. 1 Sec. Art. Batty., to be acting Corp. dated 26.4.16.  
Gr. M. Railton, No. 1 Sec. Art. Batty., to be acting Bomb. dated 26.4.16.  
Gr. J. C. Finch, No. 1 Sec. Art. Batty., to be acting Bomb. dated 26.4.16.

### SICK LEAVE.

Gr. A. F. Brown is granted six months sick leave, dated 26.4.16.

### PARADES.

Parades for Friday, 28th inst. at 6.30 a.m. Drill at Headquarters, under Co. Sgt. Major Whitehead.  
Recruits of Right Section M.G. Co.—Squad drill and Rifle exercises at Headquarters.

Engineer Co.—Squad drill and Musketry exercises on Kowloon Cricket Club Ground, under Sergt. Higby.  
Parades for Saturday, 29th inst.:—  
7.00 a.m. Signalling Section, "A" and "B" Classes—Practice at Headquarters.  
2.30 p.m. One N.C.O. and 4 gunners of Artillery Battery at Headquarters, as detailed in Corps Order No. 4 dated 27.4.16.

## HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

### SECTION PARADES.

At 5.45 p.m. Sharp at Central (C), St. Joseph's College (J) or Water Police Station (W.P.) Uniform, Caps and Covers.

Monday, May 1st.—Sections 9 and 10 at C.

Tuesday, May 2nd.—Section 1 at C; Section 2 at W.P.

Wednesday, May 3rd.—Sections 5 and 6 at C.

Thursday, May 4th.—Sections 7 and 8 at J; Sections 3 and 4 at C.

Friday, May 5th.—Sections 11 and 12 at C.

Company Commanders are ordered to attend and supervise the parades of their respective Sections.

Equipment officers are similarly ordered to attend these and all future Section Parades until satisfied that their men are properly fitted with complete summer uniform.

### SECTIONS 13 AND 14.

These Sections will parade at Central Station in Uniform with Helmets as follows:—  
Saturday, April 29th.—2.30 p.m.  
Tuesday, May 2nd.—5.30 p.m.  
Friday, May 5th.—5.30 p.m.

### ROUTE MARCH.

All ranks and units will parade at the Queen's Statue, Chater Road, at 5.45 p.m. Sharp, on Friday, May 5th. Uniform with Helmets. Sections 11 and 12 will also attend.

UNIFORM REGULATIONS.  
Black Boots (not Shoes) must be worn by all P.C.s in uniform. White Boots must be worn by all Sergeants and Senior ranks.

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(Sgd.) F. C. JONES,  
D.S.P. (Deputy).

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The Company's Steamship "TAISHAN"

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and return from Macao at 3 P.M.

N.B.—The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at 7.30 A.M., and from Hongkong at 1 P.M. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

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CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Undersecretary on WEDNESDAY the 3rd May 1916, at 10 AM.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 19th instant to the 3rd May, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,  
General Agents,  
Hongkong, April 15, 1916.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Canton Insurance Office, Limited, will be held at the Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., 10, Pender Street, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd day of May, 1916, at 12.15 o'clock in the afternoon when the following Resolutions will be proposed as Extraordinary Resolutions:

- That the provisions of the Company's Memorandum of Association with respect to its objects be altered so as to read as in the Print signed by the Chairman of this Meeting for the purposes of identification.
- That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in manner following:
- That the following Article shall be substituted for Article 94, namely:—
94. The members of the Committee shall be paid out of the funds of the Company such remuneration as may be or have been determined at any time by any General Meeting of the Company (until such remuneration is altered by any subsequent General Meeting of the Company). Such remuneration shall be divisible amongst the members of the Committee in such proportions as the Committee or a majority thereof shall determine.

Should the above Resolutions be passed by the required majority they will be submitted for confirmation at a Special Meeting of the Company to be held at the Office of the Undersecretary on FRIDAY, the 5th day of May, 1916, at 10 AM, when the subject of the Resolutions will be discussed.

Prints of the Memorandum as proposed to be altered have been circulated to the Shareholders, and a Print thereof can be seen at the Registered Office of the Company.

Dated this 15th day of April 1916.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,  
General Agents.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, Limited, will be held at the Head Office of the Company, No. 4, Cross Street, Singapore, on FRIDAY, the 5th day of May, 1916, at 10 AM, when the subject of the Resolutions will be discussed.

That the name of the Company be changed to the "British Traders' Insurance Company, Limited."

Dated this 15th day of April, 1916.

By Order of the Board,  
O. MONTAGUE EDE,  
General Manager.

## RUSSIAN INTERNAL SHORT TERMED LOAN OF 1916.

SUBSCRIPTION to the above LOAN will be opened from 28th March, till 5th May inclusive.

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G. TISDALL,  
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JOSÉ C. DE ORALDIA,  
Consul for Panama  
Hongkong, April 27, 1916.

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

## NOTICE

THE HALF-YEARLY MEETING of Members will be held on SATURDAY, the 29th April, 1916, at 12 o'clock Noon, at the Office of the Jockey Club, on the Ground Floor of the Hongkong Club Annex, Chester Road.

By Order,  
T. F. HOUGH,  
Clerk of the Course.  
Hongkong, April 15, 1916.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE DIVIDEND OF \$7.00 and BONUS OF \$2.00 per SHARE declared at the Forty-seventh Meeting of Shareholders held this day will be PAYABLE at the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation on and after FRIDAY the 28th April 1916.

Shareholders are requested to apply to the Office of the Company for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
K. FEMBERTON,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, April 27, 1916.

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

## EARLY MORNING GOLF.

A BALL played on to any portion of the Sand-Track, Grass-Track, or in the Ditch on both sides of the said Tracks must be lifted and dropped in the fairway not nearer to the hole, under penalty of one stroke.

This Local Rule applies only to Early Morning Golf, and has been introduced to avoid annoyance to riders and ponies on the track.

Players are requested to keep their caddies off the fairway when ponies are present.

The above Local Rule is applicable to the Par Cup when competed for in the early morning.

By Order of  
THE COMMITTEE.  
Hongkong, April 11, 1916.

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## THE RUSSO-JAPANESE ENTENTE TRANSFER OF EASTERN CHINESE RAILWAY.

HOW JAPAN'S SPHERE OF INFLUENCE WILL BE EXTENDED.

The reference to the proposed conclusion of a Russo-Japanese Convention, the *Japan Chronicle* quotes the *Asahi* as stating that the latter paper has been informed from a reliable source that negotiations between Japan and Russia have virtually been concluded for the transfer to Japan of the section of the Eastern Chinese Railway south of the Sungari, and for the better treatment of Japanese residing in Asiatic Russia, who have been complaining of ill-treatment by the Russian authorities.

The *Osaka Journal* has been quoted as stating that it is the subject of negotiation between the two countries. It will be observed, says the *Asahi*, that a portion of the Eastern Chinese Railway is to be ceded to Japan by Russia not as a gift in consideration of her goodwill but in payment for war supplies sold by Japan. It would seem that Russia has been obliged to have recourse to this measure as the condition of a large amount of cash for the war supplies purchased. Such being the case, the projected transfer of the Russian railway may be regarded as nothing more than an ordinary business transaction, and no important political significance is attached to it. It should be remembered, however, that it means for Russia something more than the transfer of a railway, as the invisible sphere of influence attached thereto goes with the railway. It is precisely this point to which the Japanese are inclined to attach importance. Whatever may be the cause that has necessitated Russia's parting with her railway, there is no doubt that the whole arrangement is a manifestation of goodwill towards Japan on the part of Russia, and as such Japan will not be slow to acknowledge Russia's friendship. Frankly speaking, however, continues the *Osaka Journal*, it is rather to be regretted that the transfer to Japan of the whole Harbin-Changchun section of the Eastern Chinese Railway has not been effected since this is what has been desired by the Japanese, particularly so since a *de facto* defensive and offensive alliance is in force between the two countries. If this had been done, the friendship between Russia and Japan would have been made more intimate, and the peace of the Far East would have been placed on a stronger foundation. As it is, about one-half of the Harbin-Changchun railway is to be ceded to Japan, and though this will of course be better than nothing at all, the satisfaction of the Japanese would be greater if the whole line came into Japan's possession.

Originally Russia selected Harbin as a point of departure for her operations in East Asia, but after the conclusion of the Russo-Japanese war "Russian" policy underwent a change. Since then Russia has begun to devote her attention towards the building of the Amur railway, and consequently has been inclined to attach less importance to Harbin. For this reason Russia could have no

## GROCERS' SUGAR PROVISION.

170,000 TEA VENDORS HIT HARD BY NEW TRADE CUSTOMS.

The plan adopted by the grocers of paying to sell sugar to customers unless they bring their own rice generally causes or causes is undoubtedly a rough and ready method of limiting the sale, and thereby the consumption of sugar.

But inasmuch as the small purchaser is now forced to buy his weekly supply of groceries at the same shop and set her tea and sugar together, thousands of small dealers and confectioners, who rely on the sale of proprietary tea, cocoa and coffee for a considerable part of their trade, are suffering severely.

A certain well-known brand of tea is sold by something like 170,000 shopkeepers, few of whom can supply their customers with sugar. They are practically out of business as far as the sale of tea is concerned.—London *Daily Chronicle*.

## CHARLIE CHAPLIN'S FORTUNE.

CINEMA COMEDIAN'S SALARY OF £134,000 A YEAR.

The "Times" New York correspondent wired last month:—

Charlie Chaplin began work at Los Angeles lately for the Mutual Film Corporation. His contract under "war risks" stipulates that as Chaplin is a British subject, he shall not leave the United States within the life of the contract without the permission of the corporation.

The contract is for one year, and ensures to Chaplin a salary of £134,000. The Mutual Film Corporation has insured Chaplin's life for £20,000.

Charlie Chaplin is a Londoner, having been born in Camberwell about 26 years ago. He is a member of an old theatrical family, and when a boy was one of the "Eight Lancashire Lads," a music-hall troupe of acrobats and dancers.

## THE RISE IN SHIPPING VALUES.

Some striking statistics illustrating the extraordinary rise in shipping values during the past year are given in a recent issue of the *Liverpool Journal of Commerce*.

Among a list of sales this year appear fourteen steamers which fetched 202,800, though in 1915 they were sold for only £207,500. This is an increase of nearly 60 per cent. within less than twelve months in most cases. The average price per ton last year was £10 12s 7d, but on the basis of sales this year this figure had risen to £16 16s. 5d. Some of the boats have changed hands three times during the last twelve months or less, the approximate value of the first sale in 1915 ranging from 124 to 140 per cent.

## INTIMATIONS



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THE DIARY.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Noon.—H.K. Jockey Club Meeting.  
Jumble Sale in Union Church Hall.

General Memoranda.

Saturday, April 30:—  
8 a.m.—Excursion to Macao by s.s. "Talisman".Monday, May 1:—  
10.30 a.m.—Auction of Household Material, Saddlery, Furniture, etc., at Godown 107, Prince Street.  
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, Sewing Machine, Grand Piano, etc., at No. 5, Hart Avenue, Kowloon.Tuesday, May 2 & Wednesday, 3:—  
10 a.m.—Auction of Coal Lighters, Stevedores, Stowage Cutters, Stores, etc., at H.M. Naval Yard, H.K., and Kowloon Depot.Wednesday, May 3:—  
Noon.—Entries close for Dog and Cat Show on 13th inst.  
Noon.—Canton Insect Co's Meetings.Thursday, May 4:—  
2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture at "Craigmint East," No. 160, The Peak.Friday, May 5:—  
Noon.—China Traders' Insect Co's Extraordinary Meeting.

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## NEWS OF THE DAY.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A Jumble Sale is to be held to-morrow in the Union Church Hall, in aid of Quarries Home, Glasgow.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending 15th April, 1916, amounted to 63,548 tons and the sales during the period to 71,880 tons.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Allied Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks a donation of \$25 to the funds of the Hospitals from the Tai Shing Paper Manufacturing Co.

Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club are reminded of the half-yearly meeting called for to-morrow at 12 Noon, in the Offices of the Club, on the ground floor of the Hongkong Club Annex, Chater Road.

The annual Tennis Match between the Hongkong Cricket Club and the Ladies Recreation Club will take place on the Cricket ground to-morrow at 4 p.m., after which the Prizes won at the Tournament will be presented.

A Dog and Cat Show is to be held in the Grand Stand, Race Course, Happy Valley, on 13th proximo, and the attention of intending exhibitors is called to the programme which will be found on page 3. Entries close at noon on Wednesday next, May 3rd.

The Union Church, Guild will celebrate the Tercentenary of the death of William Shakespeare on Wednesday 3rd May. A biographical sketch of the poet's life will be read and selections from his plays will be rendered. The meeting, which begins at 9 p.m., is open to all.

AYER PANAS RUBBER.

DIVIDEND OF 35 PER CENT. FOR THE YEAR.

The directors of the Ayer Panas Rubber Estate Ltd., in their sixth yearly report to the shareholders state:—  
The directors have pleasure in submitting their report and statement of accounts for the year ended January 31, 1916, being the sixth year of the company's operations.

The profit for the year is \$207,504.00, to which has been added the balance carried forward from last account, viz. \$9,125.54, making a total disposal balance of \$216,629.54. From this fall to be deducted the interim dividend of 5 per cent. and 10 per cent. paid on September 4 and December 21, respectively, viz. \$112,500.00.

Leaving a Balance of \$104,129.54

which your directors recommend be dealt with as follows:—

To pay a final dividend of 20 per cent. (making 35 per cent. for the year) \$150,000.00

To pay directors' fees 14,800.00

To pay staff 3,011.25

To pay Malacca War Relief Fund 1,000.00

Balance to be carried forward 24,629.23

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GREAT BRITAIN'S TOBACCO BILL.

HUGE INCREASE IN SPIKE OF HIGHER DUTY.

In spite of the heavy increase of the duty on tobacco, the consumption last year exceeded that of 1914 by 4,074,431 lb. This is the chief feature of the national tobacco bill, an advance copy of which we have received from the British Anti-Narcotic League. The bill has been compiled by Mr. R. F. Moncreiff, of Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The total consumption in 1915 was 110,550,700 lb., and the expenditure £28,000,000, against 110,985,210 lb. and £28,040,000 in 1914, the respective increases being 5,997,490 lb. and £4,840,000.

Mr. Moncreiff points out that these figures do not include the tobacco supplied "duty free" to the trenches and wounded men in the military hospitals.

The expenditure per family (4 persons) last year was £7 10s. 10d. against £22 5s. 8d. in the preceding year, and the consumption per family (in spite of the huge decrease of men through military and naval demands) showed an increase in 1915 of 1 per cent.

A number of tables compiled by experts are given by Mr. Moncreiff to support his contention that smoking has a very bad effect on the system, retarding development in weight, height, chest girth and lung capacity. He quotes "The Hospital" for the statement that shortly after the war commenced a number of men were being invalided to England, and on inquiry it was found that the great majority of them were examples of cardiac dilation and debility, due to "smoker's heart."

He appeals to the medical authorities in the military hospitals to test the question whether tobacco assists or delays convalescence by getting "apart" special yards for non-smokers where smoking is prohibited and compare the results with the smoking wards. *Daily Chronicle.*

## CHINESE AFFAIRS.

(Wah. Tse Yat Po's Service.)

## CIVIL EXAMINATIONS.

PEKING, April 26.  
The civil official examinations have been postponed for two months.

## LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT TO BE RESTORED.

PEKING, April 26.  
The Administrative Headquarters has suggested the organising of a Parliament, a re-organisation of district jurisdictions and the introduction of local self-government.

## THE LOST TRANSPORT.

SHANGHAI, April 26.  
The "China Merchants" steamer *Tseng*, after landing troops at Poochow, returned to Shanghai to-day and brought confirmation of the loss of the transport *Hsin-yue*. The second engineer of the *Hsin-yue* is among the survivors. Three thousand troops have arrived at Poochow.

## THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

PEKING, April 27.  
The Southern Provinces have been notified by telegram that the Peace Negotiations will take place at Nanking.

## THE CONTROL OF THE ARMY.

PEKING, April 27.  
A mandate will shortly be issued transferring military control to the Cabinet, and convoking the National Assembly.

## ANOTHER BOMB SENSATION AT SHANGHAI.

SHANGHAI, April 28.  
Last night a bomb was thrown and exploded on the premises of the China Merchants' Steamship Co.  
No serious damage was done; except that a watchman and a person passing by at the time were injured. No arrests have yet been made.

## THE SALT GABELLE.

PEKING, April 27.  
Cheung Wo has been appointed Chief Inspector of the Salt Gabelle.

## DEATH OF SHENG KUNG PO.

PEKING, April 27.  
Sheng Kung Po died this forenoon. Sheng Kung Po was a native of Kiangsu, and has been a well-known man in the public life of China for the past thirty years. He was one of the largest shareholders in the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Co. and the Hanyang Ironworks. While President of the Board of Communications in 1911 he negotiated the Hukang Railway Loan, involving the nationalisation of the trunk lines of the Chinese railway system. This policy aroused fierce opposition, resulted in a serious revolt at Soochow, and contributed in a large measure to the outbreak of the revolution in Hupoh. He was dismissed with disgrace and exiled to Tientsin by representatives of the British, French, German, and American Legations. Thence he escaped to Tsingtau, and after a short stay there he took up his residence in Japan until 1911, was safe for him to return to China. His name came into prominence again in connection with the Japanese Loan to the Hanyang Ironworks, which was negotiated through him. He will also be remembered in connection with the last revision of the Treaties.

## BANK PARTNERS SENTENCED.

BUSINESS WHICH HAD BEEN INSOLVENT SINCE 1899.

After lasting ten days, the two partners in the Naval Bank, Plymouth, Massachusetts, were last month found guilty of conspiring to defraud customers of the bank.

The jury considered their verdict for two hours and 40 minutes and recommended the judge to take a lenient view of the case. Mr. Justice Avery sentenced each defendant to six months imprisonment in the second division.

The bank's deficiency was \$207,784, and in summing up Mr. Justice Avery pointed out that if defendants had pointed out the business in 1907 the creditors would have lost only \$25,000. As a matter of fact, the bank had been insolvent since 1899.

In passing sentence the judge said it was not a case of fraud, but rather one in which both defendants had an assurance when they joined the business that there was some hope of it being restored to a solvent condition. But he was conscious that their conduct was a fraud on the defrauding of customers.

Instead of one of them to the knowledge of the other, had gambled recklessly on the Stock Exchange with other people's money in a desperate effort to retrieve their fortunes.

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Mr. W. J. Trencher	50
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Mr. and Mrs. G. Fiercy	100
Mr. H. P. White	400
Mr. W. H. Ball	50
Mr. R. E. Atwell	50
Dr. O. Marriott	250
Mr. G. M. Harton	250
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Mrs. S. Wyatt-Smith	30
Mr. L. D. McNeill	5
Mr. R. Soudange Teissier	30
M. H.	20
Realised by the production of the play "The Marriage of Figaro"	370
D. A. B.	20
Charles "Punch"	15
H. E. V. R. 533	1.06
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Mr. Wan Sun Ngam	3
Mr. E. S. Singh	3
Leung Sai Sang	2
Kam Kai Tsang	3
Yuen Lai Sang	1
Chan Tu Fong	1
Tsun Tak Chin	1
Anonymous	200
A. J. S.	5
Anonymous	1
Mrs. Kennedy	1
Mrs. Richardson	1
Mrs. McCulloch	2
Mr. R. Bridger	2
Mr. S. Sams	2
A "Chiro" Survivor	10
Mr. A. E. Davey	50
Mr. O. F. Lubate	25
Mr. V. Uddall	100
Mr. A. Nichol	10
C. F. Crowell	10
Mr. J. Kennedy	10
Mr. M. W. Fraser	25
Mr. M. Gilmore	5
Mr. A. H. Fenn	5
Mr. H. S. Markham	5
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Mr. W. J. Martin	15
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Mr. G. E. Breen	5
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Mr. P. P. P.	3
Mr. R. Harrison	5
Mr. E. A. L.	5
Mr. E. J. S.	5
Mr. E. T. Craig	5
Mr. E. C. Treggill	20
O. D. G.	5
Mr. J. McGregor	5
Mr. A. F. Churchill	50
Hongkong Gymkhana Club	165.12
Aron	5
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Mr. R. E. Lindell	10
Mr. W. Schofield	10
Mr. E. W. Hamilton	10
Mr. J. T. McKay	5
Mr. A. F. Purden	5
Messrs. Moxon and Taylor	100
Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co. Ltd. (monthly subscription)	49
Ojagar Singh (monthly subscription)	5
Mr. J. McGregor (monthly subscription)	3
Monthly subscriptions	\$6,270.59
Already acknowledged	\$1,893.50
	\$4,377.09

The following cheques have been received from H. E. Sir F. H. May, K.C.M.G., and forwarded to the respective funds:—

Royal Patriotic Fund \$100

Officers Families Fund 50

Out of the above amount of \$4,164.09, the following amounts have been specially earmarked:—

For the Officers Wives and Families Fund \$10

Tobacco Fund 113

Red Cross Fund 3.38

Belgian Relief Fund 110

Soldiers and Sailors Wives and Orphans Fund 10

Clothing Fund 50

A further list will be published shortly.

N. J. STABE,  
Hon. Treasurer.

War Charities Fund.

Hongkong, April 27.

## THE COST OF PAPER.

Some interesting figures as to the increased cost of paper were given by the President of the Leeds Grocers' Association recently, when speaking of the serious shortage of paper. "Cap" paper for wrapping, for which the charge was formerly 11s. now costs 38s; parchment costs 40s. as against 25s. formerly; ordinary sugar bags 24s. per cwt. instead of 13s. to 17s. per cwt.; while confectionery "cap" paper had exactly doubled in price, being 2s. 2d. instead of 1s. 2d. per ream. Flour bags cost 42s. as against 27s. or 28s.

Printing inks, especially coloured based on aniline dyes, have more than doubled. Some kinds are listed to be stationary of all kinds is very much higher in price. Some things are absolutely unobtainable from the manufacturers, and the position is made worse by the scarcity of shipping.

## SPORTING.

## TENNIS.

## PROFESSIONAL PAIRS FINAL.

The final of the Professional Pairs was decided last evening when Lieut. Col. Crisp and Lieut. Hamilton defeated Green and Claxton by three straight sets. The game was very well contested and the winning pair won by a better understanding of each other's play. Crisp's service was an advantage and his volleys were strong. Hamilton on the back line did some notable work. The score in favour of the winners was 6-3 and 6-4.

## THE DASH TO BAGDAD.

## A TRIUMPH OF STRATEGY.

The Rev. Canon Parfit, M.A., in a contribution to the columns of the *London Daily Chronicle* says:—

It is obvious to everybody that the British strategy was obvious to our enemies and would not be strategy at all in my constant travels about England I meet with numbers of people who speak of the military blunder we made in pushing forward to Bagdad before we were ready to advance. I do not agree with them for although I know nothing of military tactics, yet I do know something of Mesopotamia and the Eastern theatre of the war, and my own conviction is that the dash towards Bagdad has proved to be the most triumphant piece of strategy that we have witnessed since the outbreak of the war.

It is the Englishman's peculiar prerogative to grumble at everything and to suppose it is the Englishman's climate that persuades him to become an expert growler for since I was constantly travelling about the sunny shores of Syria I find myself constantly grumbling at the weather. Here, however, we have a bright glimmer of sunlight from the golden skies of the East which should cheer our sighs and make even an Englishman chuckle.

## THE KETTLEDUM'S SECRET.

I have just returned from a visit to a friend whose son is an officer now shut up in Kut-el-Amara. Before the battle of Ctesiphon he sent home a broken kettle-drum taken from the Turks. Turkish inscription upon it confirmed my conviction that the Kurdish troops who ought to have been resisting the Russians in the North had been hurried down to Bagdad to check the advance of Mesopotamia. My friend was greatly cheered when I translated the inscription, when I pointed out on the map the town from whence the kettle-drum came, and explained that he need never regret the investment of our army in Kut, for his son and all the Townsman battalions were true British soldiers, who had risked much for high stakes and had certainly won the day.

The Germans were taken in splendidly, for they proudly pointed to the investment of Kut as a proof of the impossibility of the Allies being able to help each other, since the Russians could not save us from being surrounded. In point of fact, it turns out to be one of the clearest proofs we have had of the successful co-operation of the Allied armies, for whilst our own men were attracted to Ctesiphon by the bait of small British army, the Russians behind their backs were scaling the snow-clad mountains of Armenia, and sprang a surprise upon the depleted forces of the strongest stronghold of Asiatic Turkey.

Erzurum, as everyone knows, has lived in Mesopotamia, was the well-fortified capital of Armenia, whence the Turks were enabled to terrorise over the Armenians and rule them with a rod of iron. The assertion that it was unfortified when the Russians captured it is either a huge Turkish joke, or it is to be accounted for by the supposition that its armaments were needed for the defence of Bagdad.

The capture of Kermanshab is another event of real importance, and a further sign of successful co-operation between the British and Russian forces in Turkish Arabia and Persia. And when the Kurds have been successfully taken there will be left the Russian forces a comparatively level plain of about seventy miles to the gates of Bagdad.

## A PARENT'S DUTY.

YOUR boy is always getting scratched or cut or bruised. Because these wounds have healed all right is no sign that he is always well. Get a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and see that every injury is cared for immediately. You can get nothing better, and blood poisoning is dangerous. It is a sure sign of a bad case of blood poisoning.

## GENERAL SMUTS DECLINED HIS ARMY PAY.

Replying to Sir C. Hunter in the House of Commons last month, Mr. Bonar Law said the Government would, of course, have been delighted to assign to General Smuts the pay of his rank in the British Army, but he decided not to draw pay from Imperial funds.

He continued to receive the emoluments of his office as one of the Ministers for the Union of South Africa (Cape).

## THE PINK SHIPPING NOTE.

## MERCHANTS AND NEW CUSTOMS REGULATIONS.

There seems to be little inclination among London merchants to criticise the new heavy charges to be imposed on goods not removed from docks and quays, says *The Times* to have by the last mail, but certain features of what is known as the "Pink Shipping Note" are not unanimously approved. But authorities have been instructed by the Transit Executive Committee not to deal, after March 30, with goods for export unless they have previously received this note on which, for the benefit of the Customs, very full particulars are to be supplied.

The idea of this note is presumably to enable the Customs to have in advance the information they require to carry out the regulations of the War Trade Department, and so to prevent the accumulation of the goods on the quays while the circumstances of their export are being examined. Criticism of the new form have rested mainly on the grounds that it would, if completed in detail, involve much skilled labour at a time when such labour can be spared, and that the merchants would be giving away all particulars of their business.

On other matters, such as the probable effectiveness of the new system in reducing or increasing congestion at the ports, the views of the Transit Executive Committee must obviously be final. Representations have been made by merchants to the committee that goods shipped to ports within the Empire should not be subject to the new provisions since there is every safeguard against such goods getting into enemy hands. It is understood that the committee, which has much sympathy with this request, has not seen its way to abandon the use of the pink form entirely on shipments to ports of the Empire. A concession has been made in the direction of requiring names of consignees to be given only in the case of exports to certain countries. They are not to be required for exports to British Dominions, and it is understood that the officers will not be unduly exacting respecting other details of values and quantities which it is thought merchants acting for manufacturers might sometimes have difficulty in supplying.

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The facts are these: Firstly, there was to have been a magnificent assault upon Egypt and the Suez Canal, which has not come off. Elaborate preparations were made, at enormous expense, and the new railway has been completed through Palestine to Beersheba and right across the Egyptian frontier. This is the one expedition that is of supreme importance to the Turks. Egypt was to be Turkey's reward for its aid to Germany, and the Turks were anxious for Germany to hurry up and help them to secure their coveted prize. January and February are the two best months of the year for an army to cross the desert, and the Egyptian army from Palestine, and the submarine activities in the Eastern Mediterranean, together with the outbreak of hostilities under the name of the "Western Front," looked like the prelude to a determined attack on Egypt and the Suez Canal. The opportunity might at least have been damaged the Canal and seriously interfered with our most important lines of communications, has been postponed *ad hoc*.

If our forces in Mesopotamia had been content to remain in the vicinity of Basrah the expedition to Egypt would have been carried out by the rapid advance up the Tigris, thus threatening Bagdad, was a serious menace to be ignored, as the troops prepared for Egypt were diverted through Aleppo to Bagdad, and the land of the Pharaohs may see them no more.

Secondly, the capture of Erzurum is a triumph of the first magnitude, which is likewise due in no small degree to the co-operation of those brave little forces which are now invested at Kut-el-Amara.

## HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVES.

Major Hakeman, Commanding H.K.V.R.

On duty all the morning of Friday, 28th May: H.K.V.C.

Next for duty: A Co. H.K.V.R. (Ordnance Officer: Lieut. Thorpall.)

PARADES FOR THE WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, THE 29th MAY.

Monday, 1st May.—

Drills on the Cricket Ground under drill instructor Sergt. Osberry at 5.15 p.m. Dress: drill order.

Machine Gun Section at Wellington Barracks under Lieut. Thornhill at 5.30 p.m. Dress: drill order.

Mounted Section on the Polo Ground at 5.30 p.m. under Sergt. G. C. Moxon. Uniform to be worn.



## THE WAR.

## TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

## THE IRISH SITUATION.

## THE STORY OF THE BLOCKADE-RUNNER.

## ORFREW BLOW UP THE SHIP.

LONDON, April 26.

Lord Lansdowne announced in the House of Lords, that the German vessel which attempted to land arms on the west of Ireland was disguised as a Dutch trader. The Germans blew her up after she was captured. Sir Roger Casement and two other persons landed on the coast from a submarine in a collapsible boat.

Lord Lansdowne added that there were two German officers, who landed with Sir Roger Casement. Meanwhile the German vessel was stopped by one of our warships and ordered to follow for towards Queenstown. The vessel followed a certain distance and then, hoisting the German flag, sank herself. Owing to rough weather a prize crew could not be put on board the German vessel. The whole entire crew was saved. There were no traces on the seaboard of preparations for the distribution of the material with which the vessel was presumably laden.

Referring to the outbreak at Dublin his Lordship stated that the only specific warning received by the Government came from a "external source" on the day of the outbreak. While it was believed that the outbreak was destined to prove an ignominious failure, he was not disposed to minimise it. A complete cordon of troops now surrounded the centres of the town on the north side of the river. Fifteen persons had been killed and 26 wounded, while two loyal volunteers had been killed and six wounded. Two policemen had also been killed.

All the information justified the statement that the situation was well in hand.

## SIR ROGER CASEMENT IN THE TOWER.

LONDON, April 27.

The Daily Mail states that Sir Roger Casement is now a prisoner in the Tower of London.

## HOW HE LEFT KIEL.

The report was circulated from Copenhagen on the 14th inst. that Sir Roger Casement had been arrested in Germany, whereas he boarded on the 14th a German submarine at Kiel, which left in company with a harmless-looking tramp flying the Dutch flag and manned by twenty picked German Naval men.

## THE TRAMP'S CARGO.

She carried 20,000 rifles, a machine gun, and ammunition hidden beneath goods which her manifest declared to be her sole cargo.

## INDICATIONS OF REBEL MOVEMENT SPREADING.

## GENERAL MAXWELL GIVEN PLEASANT POWERS.

LONDON, April 27.

Mr. Asquith has informed the House of Commons that the Irish situation still has serious features. There were indications of the movement spreading, especially in the West. Martial law had been proclaimed throughout Ireland. General Maxwell leaves to-night with plenipotentiary powers.

## IRISH LEADERS DENOUNCE THE REBELS.

Sir Edward Carson (leader of the Irish Unionists) supported Mr. Asquith, and said he would gladly join with Mr. Redmond (the Nationalist Leader) in everything that can be done to denounce and put down these rebels now and for evermore. (Cheers.)

Mr. Redmond, on behalf of the Nationalists and an overwhelming majority of the people of Ireland, expressed detestation and horror at the proceedings of the rebels. (Cheers.)

## THE FIGHTING AT KATIA.

## BRITISH FALL BACK BEFORE GREATLY SUPERIOR FORCE.

## WORCESTER YEOMANRY'S BRAVE BUT UNSUCCESSFUL STAND.

LONDON, April 27.

A supplementary official statement regarding the fighting at Katia (on the Egyptian frontier), which took place on the 23rd inst., states that the Gloucester Hussars and the Warwick and Worcester Yeomanry, who were holding the position at Katia, were attacked by a greatly superior force of Turks, fell back, fighting a rear-guard action.

The Worcesters made a most determined stand, but as their horses were killed they were unable to retire and a number were captured.

According to prisoners taken, the enemy consisted of a thousand Germans and picked Turkish infantry mounted on camels.

The Katia crisis is now clear of the enemy except a force at Berekah. The Turks paid dearly for the raid. Their losses at Duedar were particularly heavy.

## BRITISH SUBMARINE SUNK.

LONDON, April 27.

The Admiralty says it is announced in a German wireless message that British submarine 32 has been sunk in the North Sea and that two of the crew were saved.

## A STRONG AUSTRIAN ATTACK.

## REPUISED BY THE ITALIANS.

ROME, April 27.

A communique announces that a strong enemy attack on the trenches at Carso, which the Italians occupied on the 24th inst., was repulsed with the heaviest losses.

## RUSSIAN OPERATIONS IN ARMENIA.

PETROGRAD, April 27.

A communique reports that the Russians have repulsed a Turkish attack in the Erzinja district.

## THE FRENCH FRONT.

## INTENSE BOMBARDMENT IN VERDUN REGION.

PARIS, April 27.

To-day's communique states that there has been an intense bombardment of the Avocourt Redoubt and Poivre Hill.

A small enemy attack at Vaux was promptly defeated.

There were the usual cannonades on the rest of the front.

A French airman felled a German aeroplane in Spincourt Forest.

## END OF WAR IN SIGHT.

## FRENCH MINISTER AND THE LESSON OF VERDUN.

Under these headlines the Daily Chronicle printed the following on March 26th, from its Paris correspondent:

An interesting passage in the speech of M. Ribot, the Minister of Finance, in the Chamber on Friday night, was generally overlooked by the Press owing to the passing excitement of the refusal to listen further to M. Accambray's attack on the Government. I quote this passage from the text in the "Journal Officiel."

"We are at a decisive hour," said the Minister of Finance. "The whole world is watching what is occurring at this moment before Verdun. There, gentlemen, the fury of the attacks shows what impatience for even an ephemeral success our enemies are feeling at this hour. History will consider this defence as one of the greatest things that has occurred to the honour of our country."

"It is permissible without boasting, without illusion, and without vain optimism to perceive the end of this horrible war."

The "Gaulois" was the only paper which yesterday noticed this passage, "great with hope," and in printing it in large type, it added: "It is the first allusion made for twenty months to the eventuality of a rapid advance towards peace, the peace, of course, that we want and can impose."

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## ZEPPELIN RAIDS ON ENGLAND.

## NO CASUALTIES AND INSIGNIFICANT DAMAGE.

LONDON, April 26.

An official statement says: In last night's raid a hundred bombs were dropped on the Thames estuary, with no casualties, while it has been ascertained that a hundred bombs were dropped on the eastern counties on Monday, resulting in only one casualty, and insignificant damage.

LONDON, April 27.

The War Office reports: The Zeppelins reported on the east coast of Kent last evening apparently did not penetrate far inland. Probably they returned owing to the mist. It is reported that one bomb was dropped in the sea.

## BELGIAN COAST BOMBARDED BY BRITISH MONITORS.

AMSTERDAM, April 27.

A Berlin communique admits that a strong British force of monitors, destroyers and mine sweepers bombarded the Belgian coast.

## THE GERMAN NAVAL RAID ON YARMOUTH AND LOWESTOFT.

## DAMAGE "RELATIVELY SLIGHT."

LONDON, April 26.

The War Office announces that the bombardment of Lowestoft and Yarmouth yesterday opened at ten minutes past four in the morning and lasted about half an hour. Despite the heavy German guns, the damage was relatively slight.

A convalescent home, a swimming bath, the pier, and forty dwellings in Lowestoft, were extensively damaged, while two hundred dwellings were slightly damaged.

Besides the four deaths already announced, three other persons were killed, three seriously wounded and nine slightly wounded.

The damage at Yarmouth was one large building burned and another slightly damaged.

## EXTRAORDINARY AIR FIGHT.

## GUN-AEROPLANES IN ACTION.

PARIS, April 26.

A communique relates an extraordinary exploit by a French gun-aeroplane at three in the morning of Zeppelins. A Zeppelin fired on the aeroplane from a height of 4,000 feet. The aeroplane immediately attacked the Zeppelin, firing nineteen incendiary shells. The Zeppelin appears to have been struck. Another gun-aeroplane attacked and hit a German destroyer off Ostend, and a Frenchman also felled a Fokker near Lonsville and captured the pilot.

## FRENCH ARTILLERY AND AIRSHIP ACTIVITY.

## ATTEMPTED GERMAN ATTACK "STOPPED DEAD."

PARIS, April 27.

A communique states: The French artillery have been most active to-day against enemy organisations in Champagne and Argonne. There has been a violent bombardment at Avocourt, Hill 304, Eaux, and Montzerville, west of the Meuse, and moderate artillery activity east of the Meuse.

An attempted German attack north of Senones, in Lorraine, was stopped dead by artillery.

The German losses at the Chapelle salient were 1,000.

A German aeroplane landed in the French lines in the region of Oise and both airmen were captured. An enemy aeroplane was shelled and fell in flames in Argonne. French air squadrons were most active on Tuesday night in the regions of Verdun and Roye, dropping 135 bombs on enemy parks, bivouacs, railway stations and munition depots. A German airship dropped a dozen bombs in the Etaples region, slightly wounding two British soldiers.

## BRITISH ACTIVITY.

## FIGHTING IN THE AIR.

LONDON, April 27.

A British communique states: Enemy aircraft were less active yesterday. A hostile aeroplane was brought down to-day in our lines as the result of a fight in the air. The pilot and observer were killed.

A hostile airship, at 12.30 in the morning, dropped bombs near the coast behind our lines, but no damage was done. We made two raids last night south of La Bassee Canal, and captured three prisoners in hand-to-hand fighting. The enemy to-day sprang a mine southeast of Souchez and obtained a footing in our trenches but was driven out by a counter-attack. There has been artillery activity at various points.

## A BOMB SENSATION AT ATHENS.

ATHENS, April 27.

Some sensation was caused by a bomb exploding in the court of the Bulgarian Legation. The damage was not important.

## THE RECRUITING PROBLEM.

## MILITARY SERVICE ACT NOT EXTENDED TO IRELAND.

LONDON, April 25.

Mr. Walter Long will to-morrow introduce the Military Service Bill. The House is now in secret session.

LONDON, April 27.

The Press Bureau announces: At the secret session of Parliament, on Wednesday, Mr. Asquith, replying to Sir Edward Carson, said that the Government's proposal for the extension of the Military Service Act did not apply to Ireland.

Mr. Walter Long said that if the Bill were introduced to apply compulsion to the unmarried married men, it would not provide for a month's notice. Debate followed, many speakers participating.

## MARTIAL LAW IN IRELAND.

LONDON, April 25.

Today's "Gazette" contains a proclamation which practically establishes martial law throughout Ireland.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Asquith read a telegram from Lord Wimborne (Viscount of Ireland) stating that the situation is satisfactory. St. Stephen's Green has been occupied. Eleven insurgents were killed. Provincial news is reassuring. The Inspector General of Constabulary reports that at Drogheda the Nationalist Volunteers turned out in arms to assist the Government. (Loud cheers.) Many local people had also offered assistance.

## THE CRISIS IN AMERICA.

## WARNING AGAINST "EXCESSIVE OPTIMISM."

WASHINGTON, April 27.

Officials of the State Department have warned the newspapers against excessive optimism in regard to the submarine crisis, as they fear the German concessions are inadequate.

## THE "ARMED MERCHANTMEN" QUESTION.

A general statement has been issued defining the attitude of the United States towards armed merchantmen of the belligerents. It is believed that the reply to the recent German Note sustains their right to defensive armament, but that merchantmen cruising the seas for the purpose of attacking enemy warships are not entitled to the hospitality of neutral ports.

## MORE GERMAN INTRIGUE.

WASHINGTON, April 27.

President Wilson has ordered an investigation into the activities of German officers in the Guatemalan revolution and in Mexico.

## MR. REDMOND AND IRISH ASPIRATIONS.

## "ALL GOES WELL WITH THE OLD LAND."

The following message sent by Mr. Redmond six weeks ago to the "Chicago Daily News" will be read with special interest at the present time:—

I desire to send hearty greetings to the readers of the "Chicago Daily News" on St. Patrick's Day. I want to thank them for the sympathy and support extended to the Irish party and the cause it represents, and to assure them that all goes well with the Old Land, and that its prospect for the future was never brighter.

The outbreak of the war created a situation which put to the test the principles of Irish Nationalism and the policy of the Irish party. Our case had always been that we desired, not separation, but genuine union with Great Britain, conditional on Ireland being permitted the right of self-government, of which she was deprived by the Act of Union.

The denial of that right has been the cause of misunderstanding and hatred between the two peoples, and has worked hardly less disastrously for Great Britain than it has for Ireland. When, with the full consent of the majority of the British people, the assent of the Lords and Commons was given to the Home Rule Act, and the sign-manual of the King was attached to it, the Irish people, acting in accordance with their principles and professions, declared, through their elected leaders, that their demand having been met, they were prepared to stand by Great Britain and the great self-governing Dominions of the Empire in defence of the liberties common to them all.

That policy has received the practically unanimous endorsement of the Irish people everywhere. It has united the Irish nation at home as it never was united in its history. All creeds and classes are joined as one in support of the Allies, who stand, not only for the freedom of small nationalities, but for the cause of humanity and civilisation.

Ireland has put three Army Divisions into the field, and she is raising the reserves necessary to fill up the gaps made in their ranks at the front. In Great Britain it is computed that some 150,000 Irishmen at least have enlisted, and altogether it is hardly an exaggeration to say that, taking the Empire as a whole, there are nearly half a million men of Irish birth or blood serving with the Colours.

The Home Rule Act will come into operation at the conclusion of this war, and Ireland will enter her new career as a self-governing democracy, with the goodwill of the British people and of friends of liberty everywhere.

## PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND WAR.

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Never before has England had more cause to be proud of her Public Schools than she has to-day. It is now more than a year ago since Lord Kitchener announced to the Headmasters' Conference that 10,000 commissions had been granted to members of the Officers' Training Corps. It has produced thousands since. For the first time in its history the O.T.C. has become a corps for the training of officers. There was a time when the public schoolboy joined the O.T.C. either because "it was the thing to do" or because "you had such a ripping time at camp." It is very different now for the O.T.C. takes the first place in the schoolboy's life. A necessity for the corps has become the first article of his creed and the old grumblings at parades, in spite of the numerous extra ones, is a thing of the past.

The war has cast a cloak of reality over the whole thing; consequently, it has ceased to be playing at soldiers and bug-hunting has now become one of the serious things of life and more than a rival of Rugby. Scarcely a day goes by without a parade and many schools devote a whole, or at least half, a day entirely to O.T.C. The training, too, is exceedingly thorough and the schoolboy officer has had a very good grounding when he joins his battalion. He knows his parade ground drill perfectly for he has been through every phase from private to the officer commanding a company. He is an efficient shot and has more than a superficial knowledge of tactics. In the officers' class he has been taught the theory of attack and defence, and the other necessities of an infantry officer.

## THE OFFICER'S POINT OF VIEW.

The training received by a contingent of the O.T.C. differs very much from that of the old cadet corps days. Now it is assumed that every boy will one day be an officer and he is taught to understand things from the officer's point of view. As soon as he becomes an N.C.O. he is liable to be called out to take charge of a platoon or even the company. In field work he may have sole charge of one force—his officers acting merely as umpires. Everything possible is done to develop his ingenuity and that military cunning which is so necessary for a good officer. The keenness shown by the boys is quite remarkable and the writer can remember one instance of a boy, during a night attack on a cold winter's evening, wading along a stream for a considerable distance in order to pierce the enemy's line. This is only one of numerous instances when a boy will undergo all sorts of discomfort in order to play the game and make himself as efficient as he possibly can.

There are other ways also in which the public schoolboy tries "to do his bit." He is ever ready to risk with his pocket money whatever the particular fund may chance to be and on Saturday evenings the house collections reach amazing totals, whether it is the Public School Hospital or the Blue Cross for wounded horses that is his appeal. In his holidays, too, he tries to be himself useful, either by helping in Red Cross hospitals of Y.M.C.A. huts, farms, or as railway porters. This is a real sacrifice, for it means the giving up of his games and the joys of the seaside.

## GONE WEST.

The war is brought home to the boys with a singular directness, for scarcely a week goes by without the visit of some old boy on short leave from the trenches or some wounded hero who comes to recuperate at the old place. The older boys are thus able to gain much valuable knowledge and many "tips" which will be of the greatest service to them when their turn comes to go. But there is a sadder side. The war has brought the schoolboy very near to death—that great mystery which it is so difficult for him in his youth and strength to understand. Day after day the school notice board announces to him the death in action of some old boy—perhaps the mainstay of last year's cricket team, or of the boy who, only last term, slept next to him in dormitory. The grim notice is followed by the solemn Requiem in college chapel when he parades with the O.T.C. in the early morning and stands at attention while the Latin text is read in memory of his old school-fellow. Such scenes cannot fail to impress him, and the school-master wonders what the effect will be when the boy becomes a man. It is a great thing for a man to die for his country, but how much greater is the sacrifice in the case of the schoolboy who, knowing nothing of the joys of life, goes straight from his school to the front and lays down his life almost before it. Surely that is the great sacrifice.

## THE TEST OF MANHOOD.

Our English public school system has had many detractors. It has been described as hopelessly old-fashioned; the education has been found fault with and the school-masters condemned as untrained for their work. In some measure the criticism has been deserved; but our public schools are not—and never have been—machines for cramming boys with sufficient knowledge to pass examinations. Their aim has been to produce character and to build up the best type of English manhood. Now is the time to judge whether they have succeeded or failed for war is the supreme test of manhood. The public schools as a class have responded better than any other to their country's call. Not only have they produced thousands of officers but many are serving in the ranks. Such corps as the E.L.C., the Sportsman's Battalions and the Public School Battalion are full of "old boys," some of whom have come from the ends of the world to fight for King and country. The true home of patriotism is to be found in our public schools, for there a boy is taught to love and work for his school so that when he grows older his country becomes a second nature. In his school days he learnt to serve, and real service is the true meaning of life.

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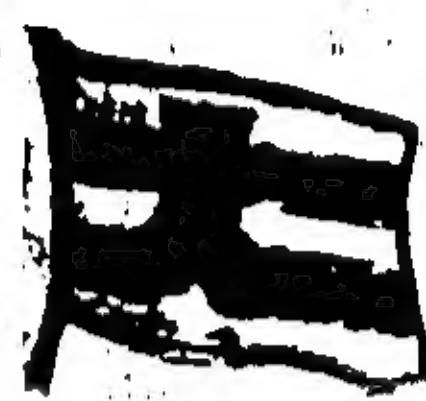
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HAIPHONG ..... Capt. J. W. Evans ..... TUESDAY, 9th May at 2 p.m.

## SWATOW.

HAITAN ..... Capt. J. S. Thomson ..... FRIDAY, 28th April at 2 p.m.

HAIPHONG ..... Capt. J. W. Evans ..... THURSDAY, 4th May at 2 p.m.

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NIIPPON MARU	11,000-15 knots	Tues., 16th May at 10.30 a.m.
SHIYO MARU	22,000-21 knots	Wed., 31st May at Noon.
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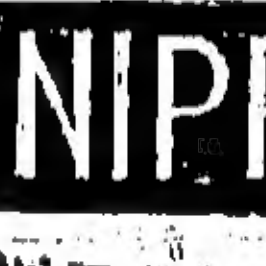
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DESTINATION	STEAMERS	SAILING DATES
LONDON via SINGAPORE, MALACCA, PENANG, COLOMBO, DUBAI, CAPE TOWN AND TENERIFE	SHIRANO MARU, Capt. Fraser, Tons 18,000	(SUNDAY) 7th May, at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE via KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOCHI, SHIMIZU & YOKOHAMA	KAKA MARU, Capt. Tsuda, Tons 12,000	(THURSDAY) 18th May, at Noon.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	KAMAKURA MARU, Capt. Kusano, Tons 12,400	(TUESDAY) 16th May, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YOKOHAMA MARU, Capt. Shinobe, Tons 12,300	(WEDNESDAY) 7th June, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SAKI MARU, Capt. Yoshikawa, Tons 12,500	(TUESDAY) 16th May, at 11 a.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TANGO MARU, Capt. Tanaka, Tons 13,500	(TUESDAY) 13th June, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	CEYLON MARU, Capt. Higo, Tons 10,000	(SATURDAY) 13th May.
CALCUTTA via SINGAPORE, PENANG & RANGOON	COLOMBO MARU, Capt. Nomura, Tons 8,000	(SATURDAY) 29th April.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, MALACCA and COLOMBO	KIRIN MARU, Capt. Susaki, Tons 8,000	(MONDAY) 6th May.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TANGO MARU, Capt. Tanaka, Tons 13,500	(SATURDAY) 13th May, at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SKAMO MARU, Capt. Shimidzu, Tons 18,000	(FRIDAY) 5th May, at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	YETOROFU MARU, Capt. Kokura, Tons 8,300	(SATURDAY) 13th May.

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THE Steamship "J.M.U.R." Captain A. Collier, carrying His Majesty's Mails will be despatched from this port on or about FRIDAY, the 30th May, 1916, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above ports. The S.S. "Azura" will proceed through to Port Said, Marseilles and London.

Silk and Valuables for Bombay (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer of the P. & O. S. N. Co. Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to  
E. V. D. PARR,  
Acting Superintendent.  
Hongkong, April 24, 1916.

## FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE NEW NEW AMERICAN S.S. "FLORIDIAN"

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DODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents.  
Hongkong, March 24, 1916. 472

## NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO via HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS AND SHANGHAI

THE Steamship "TENYO MARU" The above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for counter signature, and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside.

Cargo remaining undelivered on THURSDAY, April 27th, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense, and delivery must then be taken from the Company's Godown. Storage charges will be assessed on all Cargo remaining undelivered on 2nd May at 5 p.m.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

No claims will be recognised after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown. All chafed and otherwise damaged Cargo will be landed into the Godown, where they will be examined on 4th May, at 10 a.m.

No Claims will be recognised if filed after the 10th May, 1916.

K. DOI, Acting Agent.  
Hongkong, April 26, 1916. 365

## "SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLEBRO, GENOA, COLOMBO & STRAITS.

THE S.S. "MONMOUTHSHIRE" having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence, and/or from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 2nd May, at 5 p.m. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on 2nd May, at 9.30 a.m. Claims against the steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, April 26, 1916. 834

## AMERICAN-ASIATIC S. S. CO.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK

THE Steamship "ROYAL PRINCE" Captain D. Coult, having arrived from the above Port, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on MONDAY, 1st May, 1916, at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within 10 days of the date of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 1st May, 1916 will be subject to rent.

Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that they must procure an Import permit, signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading can be countersigned.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Agents.  
Hongkong, April 26, 1916. 380

## THE NANYO YUSEN KAISHA

THE Steamship "ROYAL PRINCE" Captain D. Coult, having arrived from the above Port, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

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Hongkong, April 28, 1916.

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3rd April, 1916, Robert Black, Steamship, Heong Bank.  
4th April, 1916, Captain, Steamer, Ceylon, Care Jardine.  
6th April, 1916, Hongkong Hotel, Anker Passenger in Premises.  
14th April, 1916, Heong Bank, Tsung-tai.  
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28th April, 1916, Heong Bank, Tsung-tai.  
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**HONGKONG STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.**  
A. B. SORESENSEN,  
Managing Superintendent.  
Hongkong, April 28, 1916.

**NOTICE.**  
ANY EUROPEAN, NON ASIATIC or INDIAN desiring to leave the Colony should apply in writing for permission to do so to the Captain Superintendent of Police, at least 48 hours before the intended hour of departure, giving name, nationality, age, sex, height and occupation of the applicant, and stating the name of the steamer or other vessel or the name of the train by which the applicant wishes to leave. Applicants should apply in person for their passes at the Central Police Station between the hours of 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. daily.

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Sinking Fund Account 122,230  
£28,970,367  
Revenue Fire Branch 29,381,458  
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Revenue Marine Department 837,230  
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Japan, British str., 3,806 C. P. Seddon, Kobe and Mike April 24, Coal—DAVID, SASSON & Co., Ltd.  
Tallhydra, British str., 6,322 F. W. Cullum, Manila April 26, General—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

**INWARD MAILS.**  
Europe (London 27th Mar., via Siberia), 29th April.  
Europe (London 21st Mar., via Siberia), 30th April.

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HONGKONG & HAIPHONG.  
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**STRAITS, BURMAH & INDIA VIA CALCUTTA.**  
Per Colombo Maru, at 9 a.m., on Saturday, the 29th April.

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The Services to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

Correspondence addressed to enemy subjects in China, Siam, Liberia, Portuguese East Africa, Persia and Morocco cannot be transmitted.

Ships in communication with Cape D'Agular Radio Telegraph Station—  
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